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1. INDONESIA: "Cease-fire" tensions apparently eased--The US Consul General in Batavia observes that the recent flareup between the Dutch and the Republicans in Indonesia apparently has calmed down. The Republican Minister of Defense has informed the Consul General that no incidents occurred on 18 and 19 October and has expressed the view that the military situation can be held in check on both sides. The Consul General has also stressed to President Sukarno, who had complained of being under great pressure because of delay at the Hague Conference on Indonesia, the need for patience at this time and the particular importance of preventing local incidents.

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